(b) No, Sir.

(c) Increase in rent has been alllowed in accordance with the instructions of the Directorate of Estates, providing for re-assessment of rent after every 5 years.

(d) According to the instructions issued by the Directorate Estates (Ministry of Urban Development) for re-assessment of rent of private buildings leased out by Government, it is not necessary to seek the approval and sanction of the Ministry of Urban Development and local municipal authorities before increasing the rent.

Vacation of dilapidated flats by RBI

2696. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Members of Parliament have written to the Governor, Reserve Bank of India for vacation of flats in dilapidated condition at Bombay taken for residential purposes on nominal licence feee and compensations;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not vacating these flats by the Reserve Bank of India; and

(c) whether some of the flats are with the RBI for more than 10 years and if so, whether the RBI will consider releasing them on the requests of the owners and if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that one Member of Parliament had written to the Governor in this regard.

(b) On account of acute shortage of accommodation in Bombay, decision taken by RBI is that no flat of which the Bank is a statutory tenant should be released till such time the availability position of its accommodation improves, except in the cases of retiring personnel of Govt., public sector underakintgs or cases of extreme hardship.

(c) RBI has some flats with it for more than 10 years. Their release will be subject to the general policy set out in (b) above.

Rules for accepting jobs in private concerns

2697. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the rules governing retiring Government officials for accepting jobs in Private Concerns;

(b) whether Government are aware that Mr. D. V. Kapur, who retired recently as Secretary to the Union Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, has joined DCM Limited as "Senior Adviser" at the corporate head office; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI BIREN SINGH ENGTI): (a) Under Rule 10 of the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972, a member of the Central Services Group 'A' is required to obtain the previous sanction of the Government before taking up a commercial employment before the expiry of two years from the date of his retirement. Similarly, under Rule 26 of the All India Services (Death-cum-Retirement Benefits) Rules, 1958, a member of the Alll India Services is required to obtain the previous sanction of the Central Government before taking up a commercial employment before the expiry of two years from the date of his retirement.

(b) and (c) Government are not aware of the private employment stated to have been taken by Shri Kapur after retirement as Secretary to the Government of India. Shri Kapur held the post of Secretary to the Government of India on contract basis. The restriction envisaged in Rule 10 of the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972 does not apply to officers appointed on contract basis.